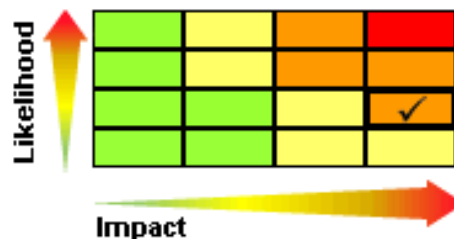
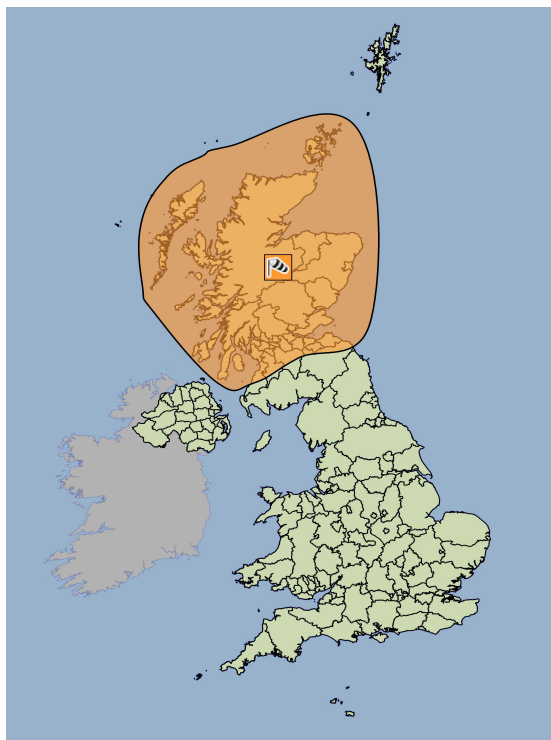




National Severe Weather Warning Service



Chief Forecasters Assessment

An area of low pressure is moving east across the Atlantic, deepening as does so, before arriving across the northwest of the UK on Monday. Gale to severe gale force west to southwesterly winds are expected to develop on the southern and western flanks of this system, firstly affecting western Scotland from late afternoon before progressing east through the evening and overnight. Storm force winds are likely in the most exposed areas. Winds should ease early on Tuesday morning as the system clears away to the northeast.

There is now greater confidence that very strong winds will also affect central and eastern Scotland, including the Central Belt, and the amber warning has been extended to cover these areas and to extend the validity time further into Tuesday morning, with high impacts now thought possible. Expect further updates to these warnings during Monday.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Alert of Wind**

Valid from **15:00 on Mon, 01st Feb 2016** until **09:00 on Tue, 02nd Feb 2016**

Another rapidly deepening area of low pressure is expected to push quickly across the Atlantic and run close to the north of Scotland through Monday and into Tuesday. Some very strong west to southwesterly winds are expected to develop on the southern and western flanks of this low pressure system, affecting much of Scotland. Gusts of 70-80 mph are expected widely, whilst gusts of 90 mph are possible in the most exposed areas, especially across the Western Isles and along the west coast. Added to this, some very large waves are expected, which may lead to localised flooding of coastal roads and causeways. Winds will ease during Tuesday morning, but will still be very strong in places for the morning rush hour.

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